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SUBJECT:VISIT OF UNION CARBIDE GEOLOGIST

1. JOHN A STRACZEK, CHIEF GEOLOGIST OF THE UNION CARBIDE
EXPLORATION CORPORATION, CONTACTED DEPARTMENT AUGUST 1
CONCERNING HIS DESIRE TO VISIT MOZAMBIQUE LATER THIS
MONTH.

2. STRACZEK WISHES TO DISCUSS WITH GPRM CARBIDE'S INTEREST
IN TUNGSTEN ORE DEPOSITS IN MOZAMBIQUE. HE MENTIONED
IN PARTICULAR A SCHEELITE DEPOSIT SOUTH OF ALTO LIGONHA
IN NORTHERN MOZAMBIQUE. IF FEASIBLE, STRACZEK WOULD LIKE
TO MAKE A FIELD TRIP TO THE AREA.

3. STRACZEK CURRENTLY PLANS TO ARRIVE IN JOHANNESBURG
ON AUGUST 25 AND WOULD FLY TO MAPUTO ABOUT AUGUST 29
DEPENDING ON AIRLINE SCHEDULES. HE IS PREPARED TO SPEND
SEVERAL DAYS IN MOZAMBIQUE, AS MUCH TIME AS WILL BE REQUIRED
FOR DISCUSSIONS WITH GPRM AND A VISIT TO THE SCHEELITE
DEPOSIT. STRACZEK IS APPLYING TO GPRM'S UN MISSION
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FOR A VISA.

4. EMBASSY MAY WISH TO BRING STRACZEK'S VISIT TO THE
ATTENTION OF SANTOS GARCIA OF GEOLOGY AND MINES SO THAT
GPRM CAN PREPARE FOR VISIT AND EXPEDITE CLEARANCE FOR
VISA AT MAPUTO END.

5. CARBIDE'S INTEREST IN MOZAMBIQUE IS A DIRECT OUTGROWTH
OF OCTOBER 1977 MEETING IN NEW YORK BETWEEN MINISTER
MACHUNGO AND UNION CARBIDE VICE PRESIDENT BASIL HONE AND
HIGHLIGHTS IMPORTANCE OF THE INITIATING OF CONTACTS
BETWEEN MOZAMBIQUE AND THE AMERICAN BUSINESS COMMUNITY. VANCE

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